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For: METHOD FOR FRACTIONING
RED BLOOD CELLS AND ANTI-
BACTERIAL MATERIALS OR
BACTERIAL PROLIFERATION
INHIBITORS PRODUCED THEREBY

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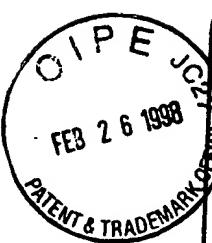
IN THE CLAIMS:

Please rewrite Claim 1 as follows:

A1 cont'd
1. (Once Amended) Method for fractionating red blood cells of human blood into three fraction, comprising the following steps[;]:

(a) mixing a human blood sample with dextran aqueous solution and maintaining said mixture stationarily for [60 to 75 minutes so as] a period sufficient to fractionate [this] the blood sample into [three layers, the] upper, intermediate, and lower layers;

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